



Pollution Prevention Resource Centers

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Accomplishing Pollution Prevention

Pollution Prevention means reducing hazardous emissions or wastes at the source, before they are generated. By preventing problems before they happen, businesses benefit, the environment benefits, and the public benefits. Pollution prevention pays.

Evaluating pollution prevention opportunities takes time. Many people do not have the resources to investigate pollution prevention opportunities. Today, the Department of Ecology maintains a collection of many different resources to help staff locate pollution prevention or waste information to use when providing tailored technical assistance to clients. This fact sheet provides information on the resources and tools available through the Ecology Pollution Prevention Resource Center System.

Resource Center Objectives

- ◆ Offer a clearinghouse of information for Ecology staff, industry, local governments, and hazardous waste generators.
- ◆ Promote efficient sharing of pollution prevention references and resources.
- ◆ Provide pollution prevention information for all environmental media, as well as energy and water conservation.

Tools and Functions

Ecology's system of Pollution Prevention Resource Centers offer:

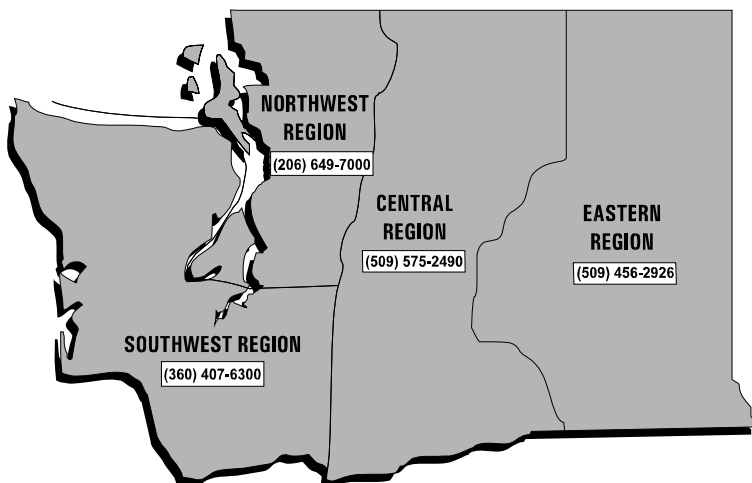
- ◆ a collection of technical periodicals;
- ◆ a centralized location for pollution prevention publications, including fact sheets, brochures, booklets, reference books, and research papers from Ecology technical assistance campaigns;
- ◆ computer access to the main Ecology library catalog, and bibliographic searches of Resource Center information using Datatrek software;
- ◆ other computer on line resources, including connection to the World Wide Web; and,
- ◆ slide shows, educational and safety videos, and CD-ROMs.

Resource Center Coordinators

Although each Resource Center is set up differently, all have a designated coordinator whose responsibilities include loaning materials between offices, cataloging new materials, organizing periodicals, and soliciting new information. Some coordinators may also be able to perform additional services, such as customized literature searches, research on equipment, and location of vendors.

Contact the coordinator of the Resource Center nearest you for more information.

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